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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Raymond Ellis et al.

Before the Examiner:

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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD
FOR WEB-BASED TOOL
MANAGEMENT

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**PETITION FOR LICENSE FOR FOREIGN FILING
(U.S. PATENT APPLICATION BEING FILED CONCURRENTLY)
(37 CFR § 5.14)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231
ATTENTION: Licensing and Review

1. **Petition**

Petition is hereby made, in duplicate, for a license under 37 CFR 5.12(b), for the foreign filing of the subject matter for which a corresponding U.S. application is being

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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I hereby certify that this petition and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage on this date 2-1-00 In an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee"
Mailing Label Number EJ058152954US addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D. C. 20231.

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filed concurrently herewith. A copy of this application is attached hereto to assist in the handling of this petition.

It is requested that the duplicate copy of the petition be returned with the license or other action on the petition.

2. Identification of inventor(s), title of invention and short statement as to the nature of the invention

Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR WEB-BASED TOOL MANAGEMENT

A method and apparatus for web-based tool management are implemented. A tool object model provides a logical representation of the physical tool. The tool object model defines a hierarchical set of tool objects that characterize the tool, and additionally a set of method for performing actions on the tool objects. These actions also correspond to operations, which may include reporting as well as processing tasks, performed by the tool. A user may remotely control and monitor a tool using a conventional web browser. For example, a user may execute methods of the tool object model, or obtain detailed information about a tool object. User actions are passed to a server by embedding them in hypertext transfer protocol (HTTP) requests. The server receives the HTTP request, and passes the request to a corresponding page server in accordance with the action requested. Depending on the action requested, the page server may generate a web page in response, or may invoke a method of the tool object model.

3. Expedited handling (37 CFR 1.17(h))

(Check and complete the following, if expedited handling is desired.)

- ☒ Expedited handling of this petition for license is requested. The fee therefor is to be paid as follows:
 - ☐ Charge Account No. _____ \$130.00. A duplicate of this petition is attached.
 - ☒ Enclosed is a check in the sum of \$130.00.

4. **Telephone notification of issuance of license**

(Check, if applicable.)

- ☒ Please notify petitioner of the issuance of the license, by telephone, at the number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,
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